

The Dover Society

Minutes of the meeting of the E/C which was held on the 9th July 2009 in the Parish Room of St Paul's Church Dover.

1) Present:-Mr & Mrs Cope (chmn) Dr Hale; Mr & Mrs Hooper- Sherratt Mr Lee; Mrs Marsh; Mr McFarnell; Mrs Morris; Mr Naylor; Mrs Rapley; Mr Sutton; Capt. Weston; Mr Woolford

2) Apologies: Apologies were received from Mr Leach and Mr S

The meeting was opened by Mr Cope Acting Chairman.

3) The minutes of the meeting held on the 11th June which had been circulated were agreed.

4) Matters arising . Historical Panels there has been some discussion on their content..

5) The Chairman. Mr Cope said that he has been told that a letter had been sent to Mr Smith with reference to his resignation from the Society a reply is awaited. Capt. Weston raised the question of the cleanliness of the town . It was agreed that the matter be referred to the Council.

6) The Treasurer Capt Weston distributed the monthly financial report and drew attention to the very low rate of interest received from our bank accounts. He pointed out that our income would be diminished this year. He then drew attention to the following points:-

i) Subs received for this year £370, for next year £12, and the year after £6.

ii) Donation £6.

iii) Printing for Heritage Open day £141.68.

iv) Postage for subs. reminders £22.14.

v) Outing to Aylesford Priory made a profit of £45.

vi) Outing to Groombridge Park seems set to make a loss.

Vii) Interest from our CaF account £23.95. For the same period last year it was £298.74 with a smaller sum in the account

7) Membership Secretary. Mrs Cope said that there were no new members this month and that the total number of members was now 433. We had in fact lost 30 members which is about the annual average She pointed out that work on recruiting was required.

8) Projects Mr Cope said that work in Cowgate was still going well and than consideration was being five to spending £60 to plant some trees. Also they wished to dispose of an old Strimmer.River Dour . Money from the council is to be spent on maintenance of the river. Inquiries to be made about benches on Barton path.

9)Social Sec. Mrs Hooper said that there were not enough members booked for Groom Bridge Park to cover the cost. Expect a Loss. The Christmas feast the referendum of the members has resulted in a majority in favour of a hot meal and a cold pudding.

10) Planning & Local Govt. Mr Woolford gave out the minutes of the 137th meeting of the Planning S/C. held on Tuesday 7 July 2009

This was followed by a long discussion on the future plans of the DHB. Finally it was proposed from the Chair that DHB be invited to send a speaker to the November general meeting to bring the Society up-to-date with their current plans for the W Dock.. Carried. The Brainstorming Session to be at a later date

11)Editor Mr Lee said that the next issue of the N/L would be with the printer within a week.

12 Web site Mr McFarnell said that the site had more 'Hits' than ever this summer..

A O B - None - Meeting ended. 21-00 hrs.